# Certification of the Post-Election Audit of the November 3, 2020 General Election

#### I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Ray Lembke called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Mr. Combs led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### II. Roll Call

Ray Lembke - Chair - Yes

Rick Combs – Yes

Gregg Conrad - Yes

Richard Grant - Yes

Also present were Director Julia Carney, Deputy Director Chris Dennison and Administrative Assistant Cherie Wilson

#### III. Motion to Adopt the Agenda as Presented

2020-173 – Mr. Conrad made the motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Mr. Combs seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs - Yes

Mr. Conrad - Yes

Mr. Grant - Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

# IV. Other Attendees – Kenny Henning – SOS Liaison

# V. Certification of the Post-Election Audit of General Election of November 3, 2020

Director Carney reported that the audit went well; out of 6,231 votes in the audited precincts, we had one precinct of the eleven audited that was off by two ballots. We were within the 99.8% reporting norm required by the Secretary of State. The precinct with the variance had a new Recording Judge, who may have incorrectly recorded spoiled and/or provisional ballots. The Chain of Custody forms were all completed properly, which was a big improvement from the last election.

**2020-174** – Mr. Combs made the motion to approve and certify the results of the Post-Election Audit for the November 3, 2020 General Election and to submit the required reporting forms to the Ohio Secretary of State. Mr. Grant seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes

Mr. Conrad – Yes

Mr. Grant – Yes

Mr. Lembke - Yes

The board signed the required reporting and certification documents.

#### VI. Executive Session

2020-175 – At 3:04 p.m., Mr. Conrad made the motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §121.22(G)(1) to consider the compensation of public employees. Mr. Combs seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs –  $\hat{Y}$ es

Mr. Conrad - Yes

Mr. Grant - Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

**2020-176** – At 4:14 p.m., Mr. Grant made the motion to come out of Executive Session. Mr. Conrad seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes

Mr. Conrad – Yes

Mr. Grant - Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

**2020-177** –Mr. Combs made the motion to close the office on December 28, 29, 30 and 31 so our maintenance department can replace the carpet and sanitize equipment during those four days to start the new year off with a very clean and sanitized office. Since this is a direction by the board, our employees would not need to use any of their time off; it would be provided by the board. Mr. Conrad seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes

Mr. Conrad - Yes

Mr. Grant - Yes

Mr. Lembke - Yes

2020-178 –Mr. Combs made the motion that since an assessment of the budget appears that we have about \$45,900 in a separate fund, the board makes a recommendation that we use this fund for our employees who worked through all of these hazardous conditions here as mandatory employees through this election process to give them a little extra money for their hours they worked during this virus epidemic, and that we let the director and deputy director come up with the plan for that money other than the fact of \$5,000 split between the director and deputy director for their time. They may use the rest at their discretion for their employees that have dug deep. This is for their risk factor for the worldwide pandemic. Mr. Conrad seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes

Mr. Conrad - Yes

Mr. Grant – Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

Based on the date the county is closing the books, the board rescheduled the December monthly meeting for Friday, December 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

The board agreed to provide a closed Christmas luncheon for the staff at a date convenient to them.

## VII. Motion to Adjourn

**2020-179** – At 4:20 p.m., Mr. Grant made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Conrad seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs - Yes

Mr. Conrad – Yes

Mr. Grant - Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

Raymond W. Lembke - Board Chairman

Rick W. Combs - Board Member

Gregg L. Conrad - Board Member

Rick Grant - Board Member

Date\_\_\_\_12-18-2020\_\_\_

## Cherie Wilson

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Notice of time and agenda change for board meeting tomorrow 2020 Dec 4 chg audit certification mtg.doc

Good afternoon,

Please be advised of the change in time and agenda for the board's post-audit certification meeting tomorrow. As always, let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Cherie Wilson, Administrative Support Specialist Clermont County Board of Elections 76 S. Riverside Dr. Batavia, OH 45103 513-732-7485

# Clermont County Board of Elections Notice of Change of Meeting Date

The Clermont County Board of Elections has re-scheduled the Post-Audit Certification meeting. The time has changed from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Friday, December 4, 2020 and the agenda will also include personnel matters.

The meeting will be held at the Board Office, 76 S. Riverside Dr., Batavia, 45103.

Ray Lembke – Chairman Julia Carney – Director .